

WHAT JESUS TAUGHT ABOUT TRUSTING PEOPLE

“Now when He was in Jerusalem at the Passover, during the feast, many believe in His name, observing His signs which He was doing. But Jesus, on His part, was not entrusting Himself to them, for He knew all men, and because He did not need anyone to testify concerning man, for He Himself knew what was in man.”

(John 2:23-25)

Trust is relying on, having the confidence in a person’s _____, integrity, and consistent words and actions.

Who do you trust?

The setting is the time of Passover and Jesus went to Jerusalem. He performed many miracles and as a result a lot of people believed in Him or trusted Him, at least temporarily. Real trust is something that is sustained even when things get very difficult.

They trusted Him as long as He was doing something for them; and it was convenient and comfortable and cost nothing to trust Him.

Jesus didn’t entrust Himself to those people who were following Him just for what they could get out of it.

Notice what we learn from Jesus’ response of Trusting People:

I Jesus Didn’t _____ Everyone

You are inviting great hurt and wounded-ness when you continue to _____ someone who has demonstrated he or she can’t be trusted.

II Jesus Does Trust _____

The basis for Jesus trusting you is Knowing and Doing the _____ of God; and acting continually on the will of God.

**Jesus trusts those who immediately, radically _____
Him.**

III Trust is Not Synonymous With _____

**Forgiveness is a Choice; it is a matter of the will. Trust,
however, must be earned, deserved, worked for.**

IV Trust is Not Synonymous with Love

**I am commanded, by God to Love People
I am not, commanded, by God, to _____ Everyone.**

V Trust Can Be Easily _____

**VI Trust Demands Three Things: _____, _____ and
_____**

Time Reveals _____

VII Trust, Once Broken, Can Be _____, But It's Not Easy

Steps to Rebuilding Trust

(1) _____ You Have Broken the Trust

James 5:16

(2) Seek the Person's _____

**(3) Communicate Genuinely that You are
_____ by This.**

**(4) Let the Other Person Know That You Know
Rebuilding Trust Won't Be Easy; but that you are
100% _____ to Rebuilding It.**

- (5) **Ask the Person _____ you can Do to Start Rebuilding the Trust**
- (6) **Give the Person the Freedom to _____ You Questions**
- (7) **Commit this to _____ and Fasting**
- (8) **Understand that the person has been Hurt and you cannot Expect him or her to _____ Trust you Again**
- (9) **Demonstrate _____ you are Making for the Sake of the Relationship and to Rebuild Trust**

VIII There Comes a Point Where you Must Take the Risk to _____ Again or You will be Destined to Loneliness

IX There are Some Things You Simply Have to Trust God With Even Though You Don't _____ It or It Doesn't Make Sense

Job 13:15

In this broken world, there are certain things that God simply says, "You are going to have to _____ Me with this, even if you never _____ it."